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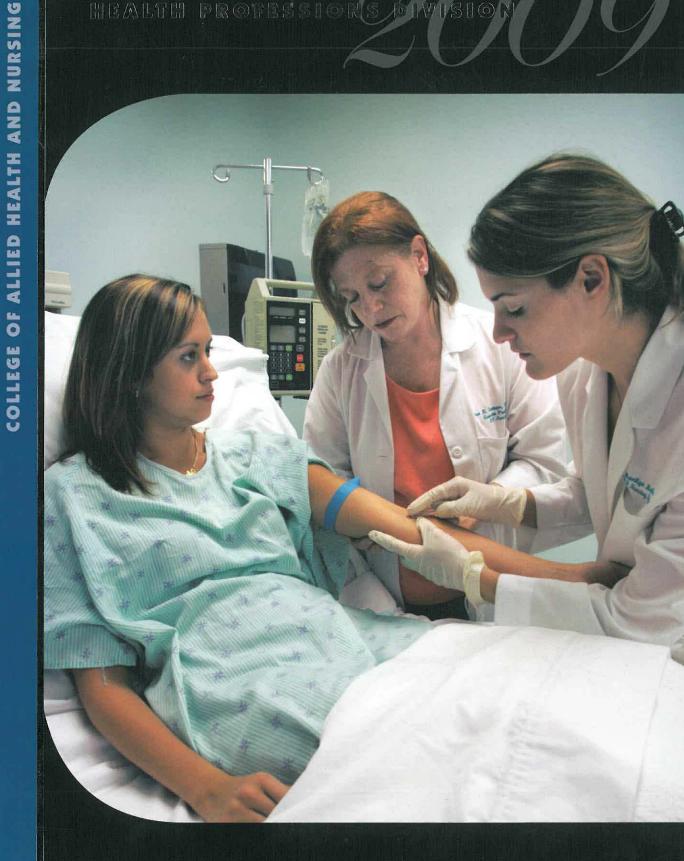
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# **NSU MISSION STATEMENT**

Nova Southeastern University is a dynamic, not-for-profit independent institution dedicated to providing high-quality educational programs of distinction from preschool through the professional and doctoral levels, as well as service to the community. Nova Southeastern University prepares students for lifelong learning and leadership roles in business and the professions. It offers academic programs at times convenient to students, employing innovative delivery systems and rich learning resources on campus and at distant sites. The university fosters inquiry, research, and creative professional activity by uniting faculty and students in acquiring and applying knowledge in clinical, community, and professional settings.

Nova Southeastern University, synonymous with dynamic innovation and intellectual challenge, is the largest independent not-for-profit university in the Southeast, and with an enrollment of more than 27,000 students, is the **sixth largest** in the United States. Situated on a beautiful, 300-acre campus in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, the university is experiencing a sustained period of academic growth, fiscal strength, and commitment to the challenges of the 21st century.

In this environment of expansion and stability, the university is capitalizing on its strengths in such areas as academic innovation, comprehensive clinical training, and flexible educational delivery systems.

Founded in 1964 as Nova University, the institution merged with Southeastern University of the Health Sciences in 1994, creating Nova Southeastern University. To date, the institution has approximately **98,000 alumni**. Fully accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, the university awards associate's, bachelor's, master's, educational specialist, and doctoral degrees in a wide range of fields including the health professions, law, business, marine sciences, psychology, social sciences, computer and information sciences, and education.

The university's programs are administered through **15 academic centers** that offer courses at the main campus and at field-based locations throughout Florida; across the nation; and at selected international sites in Europe, Mexico, the Pacific Rim, Central and South America, and the Caribbean.

With a budget of more than \$220 million per year and an upward trend in enrollment, the university will continue to maintain a solid record of academic and fiscal strength and excellence in teaching and community service, while expanding its mission in research and scholarship.

# health professions division

As a student in the Health Professions Division of Nova Southeastern University, you can anticipate a remarkable experience. You will train, study, interact, and share faculty and resources (either campus-based or online) with students from various backgrounds and disciplines. This interdisciplinary approach distinguishes the Health Professions Division as unique and will better prepare you to master your discipline with a sensitivity and understanding of the entire health care system.

The Health Professions Division, with a student body of more than 2,500. is home to six colleges. The College of Osteopathic Medicine, the first one in the southeastern United States, grants the doctor of osteopathic medicine (D.O.) degree. The College of Osteopathic Medicine also awards the master of public health (M.P.H.) and the master of science in biomedical informatics (M.S.BI) degrees. The College of Pharmacy offers the doctor of pharmacy (Pharm.D.) degree to entry-level, international, and postbaccalaureate students. The College of Optometry is the only institution in the state of Florida that awards the doctor of optometry (O.D.) degree as well as the master in clinical vision research (M.S.). The College of Allied Health and Nursing offers an entry-level bachelor of science degree in nursing (B.S.N.), as well as an R.N. to B.S.N. program, a master of science in nursing (M.S.N.) degree, a post-M.S.N. certificate, and a Ph.D. in nursing education. The college offers a physician assistant program that awards the master of medical science (M.M.S.) degree in physician assistant, as well as a master of occupational therapy (M.O.T.) degree and the entry-level doctor of physical therapy (D.P.T.) degree. Doctoral programs are offered in occupational therapy (Ph.D./O.T., Dr.OT), physical therapy (Ph.D./P.T., D.P.T.), and audiology (Au.D.). In addition to these programs, the College of Allied Health and Nursing offers the bachelor of health science (B.H.Sc.), master of health science (M.H.Sc.), and doctor of health science (D.H.Sc.) degrees—open to midlevel clinicians and allied health professionals. There are also courses of study in bachelor of health science—vascular sonography and master of health science—anesthesiologist assistant. The College of Medical Sciences grants the master of biomedical sciences (M.B.S.) degree. In the fall of 1997, the College of Dental Medicine admitted its charter class into the doctor of dental medicine (D.M.D.) program. Now, the college also offers a master of science in dentistry (M.Sc.D.) degree, as well as postgraduate programs in endodontics, oral surgery, orthodontics, pediatric dentistry, periodontics, and prosthodontics.

The Health Professions Division occupies a \$70 million complex, covering 21 acres of the university campus. The division includes eight buildings totaling more than 900,000 square feet of space for classrooms, laboratories, offices, the Health Professions Division Library, an outpatient health center, and a pharmaceutical care center. The adjacent 1,500-vehicle parking garage overlooks the Miami Dolphins Training Camp.



# letter from the chancellor



If you wish to be a leader in the health professions, Nova Southeastern University can help you reach your potential.

In less than two decades, NSU's Health Professions Division has developed into a multidisciplinary academic health center of international stature. Composed of the

Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine, Pharmacy, Dental Medicine, Optometry, Allied Health and Nursing, and Medical Sciences, the Health Professions Division has redoubled its commitment to academic excellence, innovation, and community service, while expanding its mission in research and scholarship. Working together, our distinguished faculty members prepare students for an exciting career on tomorrow's dynamic health care team.

Frales Francis

Fred Lippman, R.Ph., Ed.D. Chancellor





# letter from the dean



The health care marketplace is undergoing a rapid change. The pace of this change has provided a formidable challenge for institutions that provide the educational programs for future health care professionals.

Nova Southeastern University's College of Allied Health and Nursing is committed to providing the highest quality of education to students in a variety of health care disciplines, including occupational therapy, physical therapy, and physician assistant studies, as well as audiology and the nursing programs (entry-level B.S.N., R.N. to

B.S.N., M.S.N., post-M.S.N. certificate, and Ph.D.). In addition, the college is committed to a lifelong learning philosophy through the Ph.D. in physical therapy and the Dr.OT and Ph.D. in occupational therapy. We also have the bachelor of health science (B.H.Sc.), master of health science (M.H.Sc.), doctor of health science (D.H.Sc.), and transition doctor of physical therapy (T-D.P.T.) programs, as well as the bachelor of health science—vascular sonography and the master of health science—anesthesiologist assistant specialty courses of study. These degrees for practicing health care professionals are delivered mainly through the use of innovative distance technology.

The health care marketplace is undergoing rapid change. The pace of this change has provided a formidable challenge for institutions that provide educational programs for future health care professionals. The bachelor of science degree in nursing provides nurses with an entrance into professional nursing practice. The two options offered at Nova Southeastern University allow both the registered nurse and the student with no registered nurse license an opportunity to complete their degree in a timely manner in formats that meet a variety of student needs. The M.S.N. program offers further education for nurses who already have a B.S.N. degree and are interested in career advancement in the areas of nursing education, business administration, health law, public/community health nursing, or health systems leadership. The new Ph.D. in nursing program provides a culminating experience for students with master's degrees who want to focus on nursing education or research.

The College of Allied Health and Nursing is committed to providing health care educational opportunities in formats that meet the needs of prospective students in the community and adequately prepare graduates to assume greater leadership roles in health care delivery systems.

Richard E. Davis, PA-C, Ed.D.

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Dean, College of Allied Health and Nursing

**THE LARGEST HEALTH CARE PROVIDER** As you plan or consider a career as a registered nurse, you should know these facts.

- With 2.5 million registered nurses nationwide, nursing continues to be the largest health care profession in the United States.
- The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics projects that employment for registered nurses will grow faster than the average for all occupations through 2008.
- Nursing students comprise more than half of all health profession students.
- Nurses comprise the largest single component of hospital staff, are the primary providers of hospital patient care, and deliver most of the nation's long-term care.
- Most health care services involve some form of care by nurses. Although 60 percent of all employed R.N.s work in hospitals, many are employed in a wide range of other settings.

# nursing

# **NURSING B.S.N.**

- The Bachelor of Science degree in nursing (B.S.N.) is the critical first step for a career in professional nursing. While graduates can begin practice as an R.N. with an associate's degree or hospital diploma, the B.S.N. degree is essential for nurses seeking to perform at the casemanager or supervisory level or move across employment settings.
- The B.S.N. nurse is prepared for a broader role. The B.S.N. nurse is the only basic nursing graduate prepared to practice in all health care settings-critical care, ambulatory care, public health, and mental health—and thus, has the greatest employment flexibility of any entry-level R.N. The B.S.N. curriculum includes a broad spectrum of scientific, critical thinking, humanistic, communication, and leadership skills, and has specific courses on community health nursing not typically included in diploma or associate's degree tracks. These abilities are essential for today's professional nurse who must be a skilled provider, designer, manager, and coordinator of care. Nurses must make quick, sometimes life-and-death decisions; understand a patient's treatment, symptoms, and danger signs; supervise other nursing personnel; coordinate care with other health care providers; master advanced technology; guide patients through the maze of health resources in a community; and teach patients how to comply with treatment and adopt a healthy lifestyle.

• The B.S.N. is the preferred degree for entering generalist nursing practice. More nurse executives are indicating their desire for the majority of their hospital staff nurses to be prepared at the baccalaureate level to meet the more complex demands of today's patient care. In fact, the phrase "B.S.N. preferred" is appearing more frequently in classified ads for registered nurses nationwide.

For more information, please visit our Web site at www.nova.edu/nursing or call the nursing department at (954) 262-1983.

# **NURSING M.S.N.**

The M.S.N. program at NSU offers additional education for B.S.N.-prepared nurses working or interested in the areas of nursing education, public/community health nursing, and health systems leadership.

Master's degree preparation is the minimum preparation to enter professional nursing education. The shortage of nurses is directly related to the shortage of nursing faculties. Nova Southeastern University's M.S.N. degree specializing in nursing education prepares the experienced nurse to teach nursing students in basic nursing coursework or to teach nurses in staff development.

M.S.N. preparation for hospital nurse managers is an integral part of optimizing health care services in the community. Magnet status, a reflection of quality in health care organizations, hinges on excellence in health care management, evidenced by nurses who are prepared at the master's degree level. Increasing numbers of nurses own their own health care-related businesses. The M.S.N. business administration specialization assists nurses who are just entering the realm of entrepreneurship, as well as those who want to better run their existing businesses.

Many nursing positions today require knowledge of health law beyond the B.S.N. level. Legal nurse consultants, nurses in risk management, nurses in long-term care administration, and nurses charged with improving health care quality all benefit from more extensive knowledge of health law. The M.S.N. degree in health law provides this additional specialized knowledge.

M.S.N.-prepared nurses are needed as leaders in public/community health. Preparation at the M.S.N. level in a track specific to the requirements of public/community health allows public health nurses to better assess and assure the public's health. In addition to allowing nurses to enter the field of public/community health, advanced specialty education through this M.S.N. track increases leadership and career advancement opportunities for practicing public/community health nurses. The nurse executive at the director level or higher will develop the leadership skills to manage complex health systems.

# **NURSING POST-M.S.N.**

The post-M.S.N. certificate program at NSU offers nurses already prepared at the M.S.N. level the opportunity to further specialize in, or to change the focus of their careers to, nursing education. This program is designed to allow the M.S.N.-prepared nurse to enter the field of nursing education at the clinical, community college, or staff-development levels. The M.S.N.-prepared faculty member completing this program is also prepared for national certification (CNE.)

## **NURSING PH.D.**

The doctor of philosophy in nursing (Ph.D.) is a degree program for graduates of a master of science in nursing program. The NSU Ph.D. in nursing course of study is designed to provide the culminating segment of the educational pipeline for a nursing faculty career path. Extending the education of current nursing faculty members from throughout the country and allowing a path of entry into nursing education careers for prospective faculty members, the program will emphasize nursing research and higher education leadership in nursing. Nurses will be prepared to conduct research and serve in nursing faculty leadership roles through coursework and course delivery methods specific to their needs.



For the first time, the U.S. Department of Labor has identified registered nursing as the top occupation in terms of job growth through the year 2008. Nurses are employed in a variety of settings including hospitals, private practices, public health agencies, primary care clinics, home health care, outpatient surgi-centers, health maintenance organizations, nursing school-operated nursing centers, insurance and managed care companies, nursing homes, schools, mental health agencies, hospices, the military, and industry. Other nurses work in careers as college and university educators—preparing future nurses, or as scientists—developing advances in many areas of health care and promotion.

The American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN) and other leading nursing organizations recognize the B.S.N. degree as the minimum educational requirement for professional nursing practice. The B.S.N. curriculum prepares the professional nurse to be a skilled provider, manager, and coordinator of care in a wide variety of settings. Our M.S.N. program offers a variety of options to prepare registered nurses to assume leadership roles as administrators, educators, public/community health specialists, or in health law or health systems leadership. The post-M.S.N. certificate program prepares M.S.N.-level nurses to enter the specialty of nursing education and/or prepare for national certification. The Ph.D. in nursing education provides the culminating segment of the educational pipeline for a nursing faculty career path. I am proud to share all of our outstanding programs with you.

Diane Whitehead, Ed.D., R.N. Associate Dean

Students are provisionally admitted to a degree-seeking program based on a review of unofficial transcripts or other specific program admission requirements. However, this admission includes a condition that final and official transcripts, documents, and requirements must be received within 90 calendar days from matriculation. If these final and official transcripts, documents, and/or requirements are not received by that time, the student will not be allowed to continue class attendance. Financial aid will not be disbursed to a provisional/conditional student until he or she has been fully admitted as a regular student (all admissions requirements have been approved by the college/program admissions office). Students who have an unpaid balance 30 days from the start of the term will be assessed a \$50 fee.

# chair's message

# b.s.n. course of study

## **OPTION 1: ENTRY-LEVEL TRACK**

The 27-month, entry-level track is offered at both the Fort Lauderdale and Fort Myers locations. Information on either location can be obtained by calling 800-356-0026, ext. 21983.

The entry-level track is designed for students who are seeking initial licensure as a registered nurse. Upon completion of the 121 credits, the student is awarded a bachelor of science degree in nursing (B.S.N.) and is eligible to sit for the national licensure examination for registered nurses (NCLEX).

The entry-level nursing track curriculum is completed following a minimum of 30 specific semester hours (or equivalent quarter hours) of undergraduate coursework. This coursework may be completed at NSU, a community college, or another university. Refer to specific admission requirements on page eight.

The remainder of the 91 semester hours may be completed within seven terms in the nursing program. Each semester is a combination of didactic and clinical courses. The department requires matriculants to complete the entire program. Individual requests for advanced placement, transfer of credit, or credit for experiential learning will be reviewed in line with college requirements.

# **OPTION 2: R.N. TO B.S.N. TRACK**

This option is designed for the registered nurse with an associate's degree or diploma from a hospital school of nursing who wishes to obtain a B.S.N. Students may complete the general education requirements in conjunction with the R.N. to B.S.N. track. Students are awarded 61 semester hours of prior learning credits. Individual requests for advanced placement, transfer of credit, or credit for experiential learning will be reviewed in line with college requirements. Students will meet early in the program with a nursing adviser to plan the best program of study.



# accreditation and nondiscrimination

Nova Southeastern University is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097, telephone number: (404) 679-4501) to award associate's, bachelor's, master's, educational specialist, and doctoral degrees. The NSU Bachelor of Science in Nursing and Master of Science in Nursing programs are accredited as of April 8, 2006, for a period of 5 years by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE), (One Dupont Circle, NW, Suite 530, Washington, DC 20036-1120, telephone number: (202) 887-6791)

This nondiscrimination policy applies to admissions; enrollment; scholarships; loan programs; athletics; employment; and access to, participation in, and treatment in all university centers, programs, and activities. NSU admits students of any race, color, religion or creed, sex, pregnancy status, national or ethnic origin, nondisqualifying disability, age, ancestry, marital status, sexual orientation, unfavorable discharge from the military, veteran status, or political beliefs or affiliations, to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at NSU, and does not discriminate in the administration of its educational policies, admission policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs.

# application procedures

1. Send your completed application with a \$50 nonrefundable application fee and all admission forms to:

# NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY Enrollment Processing Services (EPS)

College of Allied Health and Nursing P.O. Box 299000

Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33329-9905

- Your completed application must be received no later than May 1
  in order to be considered for admission for the August entering class
  and October 1 to be considered for the January class.
- 3. If, at any time, you wish to withdraw your application from consideration, please do so in writing. Direct this correspondence to

# NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY

College of Allied Health and Nursing Nursing Department Office of Admissions 3200 South University Drive Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33328-2018

- All applicants must submit official transcripts of all completed coursework to the NSU EPS Nursing Department Admissions. It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure that arrangements are made for these transcripts to be sent.
- 5. If applicant attended, or is a graduate of, a foreign institution, all coursework from the foreign institution must be evaluated for U.S. institutional equivalence. The official evaluation must be sent directly from the evaluation service. For evaluations, please contact one of the following:

World Education Services
P.O. Box 745
Old Chelsea Station
New York, New York 10113-0745
(212) 966-6311
www.wes.org

Josef Silny & Associates 7101 SW 102nd Avenue Miami, Florida 33173 Phone: (305) 273-1616

Fax: (305) 273-1338 www.jsilny.com info@jsilny.com

Educational Credential Evaluators P.O. Box 514070 Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53203-3470 (414) 289-3400 www.ece.org

 Submit two letters of recommendation from individuals other than relatives: academic instructors, professors, or advisers.

# admission requirements

- 1. Applicants must have completed a minimum of 30 semester hours (or equivalent quarter hours) of specific undergraduate coursework from a regionally accredited college or university prior to matriculation into the nursing program.
- Applicants must have completed all prerequisite courses with a grade of C or higher. No grades of D, F, or W will be accepted for science courses.
- 3. Applicants must have an overall GPA of 2.75 or higher on a 4.0 scale.
- 4. Applicants must have a personal interview with the admissions committee.

# entry-level baccalaureate track

Start Dates: August and January

Length: 7 terms
Degree: B.S.N.

Student must achieve a satisfactory grade in both theory and clinical components in order to

achieve a satisfactory grade in the course.

# course requirements

# **ACADEMIC YEAR 2008-2009**

# UNDERGRADUATE COURSE REQUIREMENTS: ENTRY-LEVEL TRACK GENERAL EDUCATION

Written communication (3 semester hours)	Any written communications course
Social behavioral sciences (9 semester hours)	One PSYC, one SOC, Human Growth and Development
Humanities (3 semester hours)	Any ARTS, HIST, HUMN, LITR, PHIL, or foreign language
Natural/physical sciences (12 semester hours)	Anatomy and physiology, at least 6 semester hours with lab (5 semester hours of anatomy and physiology with 3 semester hours of biology may be substituted); chemistry, at least 3 semester hours; microbiology, at least 3 semester hours
General education elective (3 semester hours)	Any college-level ENC, MAT, PSYC, SOC, ARTS, HIST, HUMN, LITR, PHIL, or foreign language course (courses beginning with 00 are not considered college level)

TOTAL UNDERGRADUATE COURSE PREREQUISITES .....30 semester hours

# NURSING COURSE REQUIREMENTS THAT MUST BE COMPLETED AT NSU

PHS 4904 Advanced Anatomy for Health Professions 4 semester hours
NUR 3000 The Nurse as a Scholar
NUR 3160 Introduction to Professional Nursing 3 semester hours
NUR 3130 Foundations of Professional Nursing Practice 6 semester hours
NUR 3029 Foundations of Health Assessment
NUR 3032 Foundations of Pathophysiology
NUR 3180 Primary Concepts of Adult Nursing
NUR 3191 Pharmacological Basis for Nursing Interventions I 2 semester hours
BHS 3110 Health Care Ethics
NUT 3000 Nutrition for the Health Professionals
NUR 4110 Advanced Concepts of Adult Nursing II 6 semester hours
NUR 3192 Pharmacological Basis for Nursing Interventions II 2 semester hours
NUR 3020 Theoretical Foundations of Nursing Practice 3 semester hours
BHS or nursing elective
NUR 4130 Concepts of Maternal-Child Nursing and Families 5 semester hours
NUR 4160 Genetics for Nursing Practice 2 semester hours
NUR 3200 Biostatistics for Nursing Practice 3 semester hours
NUR 3250 Concepts of Psychiatric-Mental Health Nursing4 semester hours
NUR 4150 Concepts of Community-Based Nursing Practice 4 semester hours
NUR 3175 Nursing in Today's Health Care Environment 3 semester hours
NUR 3050 Applied Nursing Research
NUR 4020 The Nurse as a Leader and Manager 3 semester hours
NUR 4030 The Business of Health Care
NUR 4120 Advanced Concepts of Adult Nursing III 5 semester hours
NUR 4180 Nursing Practicum
TOTAL DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

<sup>\*</sup>General education courses may be completed at any accredited community college or university.



# application procedures

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# NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY

Enrollment Processing Services (EPS) College of Allied Health and Nursing P.O. Box 299000 Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33329-9905

- 2. The office of admissions works on a rolling basis. R.N. to B.S.N. candidates must submit all applications and transcripts by August 1 for priority consideration for the August entering class and by December 1 for priority consideration for the January entering class. Applications are accepted year round for the R.N. to B.S.N. entering classes.
- 3. If, at any time, you wish to withdraw your application from consideration, please do so in writing. Direct this correspondence to

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(212) 966-6311
www.wes.org

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Educational Credential Evaluators P.O. Box 514070 Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53203-3470 (414) 289-3400 www.ece.org

6. Submit two letters of recommendation from individuals other than relatives: academic instructors, professors, or advisers.

# admission requirements

- Applicants must have a current, active United States R.N. license.
- 2. Applicants must have an overall GPA of 2.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale.

# r.n. to b.s.n. baccalaureate track

Start Dates: August and January

Length: May be completed in 6 terms

Degree: B.S.N.

The nursing department offers combination face-to-face and online tracks in Fort Lauderdale, Naples/Fort Myers, or Orlando for the R.N. to B.S.N. degree, as well as a totally online track. For further information, call the nursing department at (954) 262-1983 or 800-356-0026, ext. 21983.

# course requirements

# **ACADEMIC YEAR 2008-2009**

UNDERGRADUATE CO	OURSE REQUIREMENTS	: R.N. TO	B.S.N.	PROGRAM
GENERAL EDUCATION	N			

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	Written communication (3 semester hours)			
	Social behavioral sciences (9 semester hours)	One PSYC, one SOC, Human Growth and Development		
	Humanities (3 semester hours)	.Any ARTS, HIST, HUMN, LITR, PHIL, or foreign language		
	Natural/ physical sciences (12 semester hours)	.Credit with R.N. license		
	General education elective (3 semester hours)	ARTS, HIST, HUMN, LITR, PHIL, or for- eign language course (courses beginning with 00 are not considered college level)		
	TOTAL GENERAL EDUCATION CREDITS	.30 semester hours		
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	COGNATE COURSES THAT MUST BE COMPLETED AT NSU			
	PHS 4904 Advanced Anatomy and Physiology for Health Professions 4 semester hours credit with R.N. license			
NUT 3000 Nutrition for the Health Professional 3 semester hours credit with R.N. licer				
	BHS 3110 Health Care Ethics	.3 semester hours		
	BHS or nursing elective	.3 semester hours		
	Total Cognate Credits	.13 semester hours		
	NURSING COURSES THAT MUST BE COMPLETED AT NSU			
	NUR 3000 The Nurse as a Scholar	.3 semester hours		
	NUR 3013 Transition to Professional Nursing			

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NUR 3031 Pathophysiology
NUR 3030 Health Assessment
NUR 3200 Biostatistics for Nursing Practice
NUR 3175 Nursing in Today's Health Care Environment semester hours
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NUR 4020 The Nurse as a Leader and Manager
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NUR 4150 Concepts of Community-Based Nursing Practice 4 semester hours
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Total Nursing Credits Completed at NSU
Nursing Credits
TOTAL DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

<sup>\*</sup>General education courses may be completed at any accredited community college or university.





The primary financial responsibility for a student's education rests with the student and his or her family, but economic circumstances for some families may make it necessary for the student to obtain assistance from other sources.

The purpose of the Student Financial Assistance Program at Nova Southeastern University is to help as many qualified students as possible to complete their nursing education. Various loans, scholarships, and grants are available to qualified students to help ease the high cost of a health professions education. Approximately 90 percent of Department of Nursing entry-level students receive some form of financial assistance. These financial assistance programs are described in a separate university publication: *The NSU Guide to Student Financial Assistance*. For a copy or information, contact

# NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY

Office of Student Financial Assistance 3301 College Avenue Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33314-7796 (954) 262-3380 800-806-3680

Opportunities for a limited number of part-time work assignments are available. However, the demands of a program of professional study limit the number of hours a student can work.

# expenses and financial aid

# tuition and fees

# **ENTRY-LEVEL**

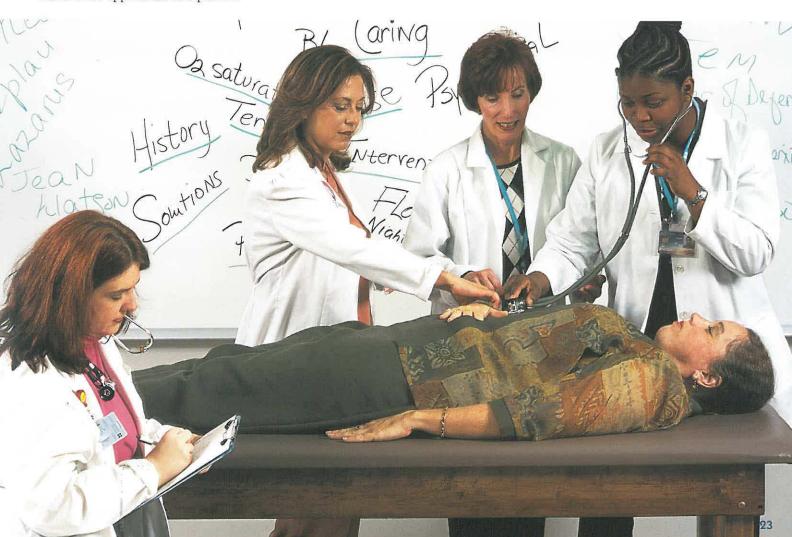
- 1. Tuition for 2008–2009 (subject to change by the board of trustees without notice): \$17,985 for Florida residents and \$19,425 for out-of-state students. Tuition for 2009–2010 (subject to change by the board of trustees without notice): \$18,885 for Florida residents and \$20,395 for out-of-state students. A Health Professions Division general access fee of \$145 is required each year. An NSU student services fee of \$750 is also required annually.
- 2. Acceptance Fee—\$500. This fee is required to reserve the accepted applicant's place in the entering first-year class. This advance payment will be deducted from the tuition payment due on registration day, but is not refundable in the event of a withdrawal. It is payable within two weeks of an applicant's acceptance.
- 3. Deposit—\$250. This is due July 15 for August admission and November 15 for January admission.
- 4. Preregistration Fee—\$250. This is due August 1 for August admission and December 1 for January admission.
- 5. Lab Fee-\$150. This fee is required in the first semester.
- 6. Students will incur additional costs—such as PDA, FNSA dues, uniforms, and lab coat—while in the program.

The first semester's tuition and fees, less the \$1,000 previously paid, are due on or before registration day. Tuition for each subsequent semester is due on or before the appropriate registration day. Students will not be admitted until their financial obligations have been met. The financial ability of applicants to complete their education at the college is important because of the limited number of positions available in each class. Applicants should have specific plans for financing 27 months of professional education. This should include tuition, living expenses, books, equipment, and miscellaneous expenses.

Each student is required to carry adequate personal medical and hospital insurance. Students may avail themselves of the hospitalization insurance plan obtainable through the university.

# R.N. TO B.S.N. BACCALAUREATE

- 1. Tuition for the R.N. to B.S.N. program (subject to change by the board of trustees without notice) is \$495 per credit hour for academic year 2008–2009 and \$520 per credit hour for academic year 2009–2010. There are a number of Florida and hospital grants available for the R.N. to B.S.N. student. Additionally, student loan interest for nursing students is lower than for students seeking other degrees. The financial aid office and the nursing department are eager to assist you to explore all possible financial aid options. A non-refundable \$50 fee is required with each application. A Health Professions Division general access fee of \$145 is required each year. An NSU student services fee of \$750 is also required annually.
- 2. Acceptance Fee—\$200. This fee is required to reserve the accepted applicant's place in the entering, first-year class. This advance payment will be deducted from the tuition payment due on registration day, but is not refundable in the event of a withdrawal. It is payable within two weeks of an applicant's acceptance.





# terry administration building FIRST FLOOR

- Student Affairs
- Admissions
- Financial Aid
- HPD Cafeteria

## SECOND FLOOR

College of Allied Health and Nursing

- Audiology Department
- · Health Sciences Department
- · Occupational Therapy Department
- · Physical Therapy Department
- Physician Assistant Department

## THIRD FLOOR

- College of Medical Sciences
- College of Pharmacy

### FOURTH FLOOR

- College of Osteopathic Medicine
- College of Optometry

## FIFTH FLOOR

- HPD Administration
- Public Health Program
- Nursing Department
- Area Health Education Center

# assembly building

- Finkelstein Auditorium (125 seats)
- Jonas Auditorium (125 seats)
- Melnick Auditorium (125 seats)
- Resnick Auditorium (125 seats)
- Terry Auditorium (125 seats)
- Auditoria A, B, and C (125 seats each)
- Robert A. Steele Auditorium (500 seats)
- Hull Auditorium (250 seats)
- Seminar Rooms

# library/laboratory building

# FIRST FLOOR

- Drug Information Center
- "Harvey" Cardiac Patient Simulation Room
- HPD Library
- Student Computer Laboratory
- Patient Simulation Center

## SECOND FLOOR

- Occupational Therapy Laboratories
- Optometry Laboratories
- Physical Therapy Laboratory
- Student Lounge
- FOMA Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine Laboratory

### THIRD FLOOR

- Basic Science Laboratories
- Gross Anatomy Laboratories
- Microscopy Laboratory
- Research Laboratories
- Moran Pharmacy Practice Laboratory
- Pharmacokinetics Laboratory
- Pharmaceutics Laboratory

# pharmacy and pharmaceutical care center

# sanford I. ziff health care center

# FIRST FLOOR

- Family Medicine
- Occupational Therapy
- Pediatrics
- Dermatology
- Physical Therapy
- Radiology

# SECOND FLOOR

- Optometry Clinics
- Optometry Dispensary

## THIRD FLOOR

- Business Offices
- Specialty Clinics
- Cardiology
- Internal Medicine
- · Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine
- Pulmonary Medicine
- Émergency Medicine Training Center



# dental medicine building

- FIRST FLOOR
- Oral Medicine and Radiology Clinic
- Oral Surgery Clinic
- Student Dental Clinic
- Clinic Support Laboratory
- Predoctoral and Postgraduate Oral Surgery

# SECOND FLOOR

- Faculty Practice
- Simulation Lab
- Postgraduate Endodontics
- Postgraduate Orthodontics
- Postgraduate Pediatric Dentistry
- Postgraduate Periodontics
- Postgraduate Prosthodontics

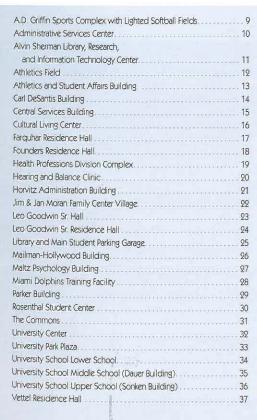
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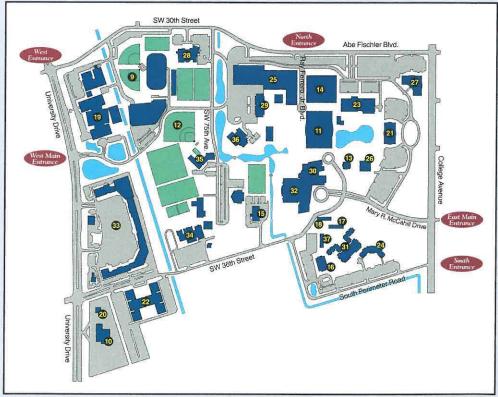
- Auditorium Seminar Rooms
- Central Sterilization Area
- Dispensing
- Faculty Offices
- Student Dental Supply Depot

# parking garage

# hpd assembly building

- Auditorium
- Computer Science Laboratory
- Seminar Rooms
- Physical Assessment Laboratory
- Compliance Office







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